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The American Numismatic and Archaeological Society of New York.

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CIRCULAR TO MEMBERS.

THE Society desiring to collect and preserve materials in order to enable the Historiographer to prepare and read before it, upon the demise of any member, a memorial of his life, these queries are forwarded to you with the earnest request that they may be answered *in extenso*, and returned without delay.

QUESTIONS.

1. What is your full name? *Answer. George W. Massamora*
2. What were the names of your parents? *A. { George Massamora
Elizabeth Massamora*
3. What were the names of your grandparents? *A. { George Massamora
Catharine Massamora*
4. When and where were you born? *A. Manchester Carroll Co. Md.
March 5th 1845*
5. If you are married, give the maiden name of your wife, and her residence, the names of her parents, the date of your marriage, and the place where you were married? *A. Married Mrs. Susie R. Harding, (formerly House)
daughter of Wm A. and Louisa H. House of Baltimore Md.
Married Aug. 18th 1881. in St. Peter's P.E. Church, Baltimore*
6. If you have had any children, give their names in the order of their birth. *A. No children*

7. If any member of your family is deceased, give the name and date of death. A. My Mother died Jan 5th 1887

My Father died Feb. 7th 1877.

8. State where you were brought up and educated. A. Born and raised in Manchester Md. and educated at Manchester Academy.

9. If you were graduated by any college, give the name and class. A. Graduate of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery. class of 1867-68.

10. State what degrees, if any, have been conferred, and by whom. A. Degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery (D.D.S.) by the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery.

11. State your occupation; and if you are a member of any of the learned professions. A. Practicing Dentist.

12. If you have held any public office, either Municipal, State or Federal, state what, when, and for how long. A. President of the Board of Registration for Baltimore City Md. for two years 1882 & 83. to gratify my personal friend Hon. Wm. J. Hamilton, Governor of Md. Chairman executive

13. If you have been connected with any corporations, or other societies, state in what manner. A. Founder of Numismatic & Archaeological Society of Baltimore. (1880) Secretary for ^{first} two years, and V. President ever since.

14. If you have written any book, pamphlet or article which has been printed, state when and where published, and give titles in full, and please furnish copies to the Library of the Society. A. Newspaper articles at various times, and occasionally, articles for Dental Journals,

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15. If any biographical sketch of you or history of your family has been printed, please refer to it? *A. Only Newspaper sketches.*

16. Give in detail any incidents which have gone to make up the history of your life; acquaintance with distinguished men, etc.; in fact, everything that should

be presented in a memorial of your life. *A. Left college before graduating in 1863, and joined the Confederate army. The principal engagement in which I participated was the battle of Gettysburg, was in all of it. (3 days) Captured on the retreat July 5th. On account of tender age and poor health, was ^{after} through the influence of leading Union men in Md., conditionally released, a short imprisonment. Taught school in 1865-66, reading medicine at the same time. Gave up medicine, came to Baltimore, and graduated in Dentistry March 1868. Have been a collector from my boyhood. At the request of my brother collectors, catalogued my duplicate coins and sold them at auction Dec. 1st 1880. This was the first coin sale ever held in Baltimore.*

* 17. If any of your ancestors or descendants have held important positions of

honor or trust, please give details. *A. My ancestors on my Mother's side are Pennsylvanians, where they have lived for ~~at~~ at least 150 years, and belong mostly to a religious sect known as Dunkards, many of them are ministers. My grandfather Peter Mumma distinguished, as also my ~~grandmother~~ ^{brother} of my grandmother Mumma.*

18. If you can give the name of the first ancestor of the family in this country,

please do so. *A. George Massano. came to this country from Germany, near the Rhine, about the year 1600, settled in Md. this branch of the family have lived here ever since. My great-grandfather served in the Revolution, and others of the family in the war of 1812.*

NOTE.—Please also send to the Society, for its Album, a photographic likeness of yourself, with your autograph beneath it, if you have not already done so; and donations of anything you may have written will be particularly acceptable, as well as contributions germane to its Library and Cabinets.

*My photograph, with autograph will be handed you
by Wm Poillon Esq.*

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* Know personally all the distinguished men of Md.

George W. Massamore
Biographical Sketch

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